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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Junhua CHANG

Appln. No.: 09/921,683

Confirmation No.: 8175

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Docket No: Q65741

Group Art Unit: 2853

Examiner: Lam S. Nguyen

For: **LIQUID JETTING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF DRIVING THE SAME**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

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17. (Amended) A method of driving a liquid jetting apparatus provided with a liquid jetting head which includes a nozzle orifice, a pressure chamber communicated with the nozzle orifice, and a pressure generating element, the method comprising the steps of:

a first expanding step, for driving the pressure generating element so as to expand the pressure chamber, so that a meniscus of liquid in the nozzle orifice is pulled toward the pressure chamber as much as possible;